

work done by federal employees who work for the public land management agencies. In the development of this bill, however, such oversight would be inexcusable because Bob Abbey, Mark Morse, Laurie Sedlmayr, Donn Siebert, Robert Taylor, Demetrius Purdie-Williams and Jeremy Noble, Bill Dickinson, Dick Birger, and many others provided valuable insights and assistance without which this bill would not have been possible. John Lopez of Senator ENSIGN's staff and my staff met with hundreds of Nevadans to ensure that this bill is a Nevada bill that is good for America. Among these individuals, Clint Bentley, John Wallin, Jeremy Garnicarz, Blake Monk, John and Hermi Hiatt, Larry Johnson, Roger Scholl, Elise McAllister, Terry Crawforth, John Moran, Jr., Kevin Mack, Chuck Musser, Jane Feldman, Doug Hunt, Pam Wilcox, Kelly Jensen, Cal Baird, George Reyling, Toni Worley, Mike Carey, as well as representatives of the many municipalities in Clark County played particularly important roles. Countless others provided constructive suggestions and support that led to this point.

Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the bill be read three times, passed, and the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, with no intervening action or debate.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection?

Without objection, it is so ordered.

The bill (H.R. 5200) was read the third time and passed.

AUTHORIZING THE NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF STANDARDS AND TECHNOLOGY TO WORK WITH MAJOR MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate now proceed to the consideration of calendar No. 736, H.R. 2733.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the bill by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (H.R. 2733) to authorize the National Institute of Standards and Technology to work with major manufacturing industries on an initiative of standards development and implementation for electronic enterprise integration.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to the consideration of the bill.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the bill be read three times, passed, and the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, and that any statements relating to this matter be printed in the RECORD, with no intervening action or debate.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection?

Without objection, it is so ordered.

The bill (H.R. 2733) was read the third time and passed.

AMENDING THE HIGHER EDUCATION ACT OF 1965

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the HELP Committee be discharged from further consideration of S. 1998 and the Senate proceed to its consideration.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The clerk will report the bill by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 1998) to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 with respect to the qualification of foreign schools.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to the consideration of the bill.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, Senators ENSIGN, ALLARD, and ALLEN have a substitute amendment at the desk. I ask unanimous consent that the amendment be considered and agreed to and the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table; the bill, as amended, be read three times, passed, and the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, and that any statements relating to this matter be printed in the RECORD, with no intervening action or debate.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection?

Without objection, it is so ordered.

The amendment (No. 4895) was agreed to, as follows:

(Purpose: To provide a complete substitute)

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

SECTION 1. FOREIGN SCHOOL ELIGIBILITY.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 102(a)(2)(A) of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1002(a)(2)(A)) is amended to read as follows:

“(A) IN GENERAL.—For the purpose of qualifying as an institution under paragraph (1)(C), the Secretary shall establish criteria by regulation for the approval of institutions outside the United States and for the determination that such institutions are comparable to an institution of higher education as defined in section 101 (except that a graduate medical school, or a veterinary school, located outside the United States shall not be required to meet the requirements of section 101(a)(4)). Such criteria shall include a requirement that a student attending such school outside the United States is ineligible for loans made, insured, or guaranteed under part B of title IV unless—

“(i) in the case of a graduate medical school located outside the United States—

“(I)(aa) at least 60 percent of those enrolled in, and at least 60 percent of the graduates of, the graduate medical school outside the United States were not persons described in section 484(a)(5) in the year preceding the year for which a student is seeking a loan under part B of title IV; and

“(bb) at least 60 percent of the individuals who were students or graduates of the graduate medical school outside the United States or Canada (both nationals of the United States and others) taking the examinations administered by the Educational Commission for Foreign Medical Graduates received a passing score in the year preceding the year for which a student is seeking a loan under part B of title IV; or

“(II) the institution has a clinical training program that was approved by a State as of January 1, 1992; or

“(ii) in the case of a veterinary school located outside the United States that does not meet the requirements of section

101(a)(4), the institution's students complete their clinical training at an approved veterinary school located in the United States.”.

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This Act and the amendments made by this Act shall be effective as if enacted on October 1, 1998.

The bill (S. 1998), as amended, was read the third time and passed.

DIRECTING THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TO CORRECT THE ENROLLMENT OF THE BILL H.R. 2215

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the consideration of H. Con. Res. 503.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the concurrent resolution by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 503) directing the Clerk of the House of Representatives to correct the enrollment of the bill H.R. 2215.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to the consideration of the bill.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the concurrent resolution be agreed to, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, and that any statements relating to this matter be printed in the RECORD.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection?

Without objection, it is so ordered.

The concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 503) was agreed to.

TO AMEND THE INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS IMMUNITIES ACT

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent the Senate proceed to the consideration of Calendar No. 688, H.R. 3656.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the bill by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (H.R. 3656) to amend the International Organizations Immunities Act to provide for the applicability of that Act to the European Central Bank.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the bill be read the third time, passed, the motion to reconsider be laid on the table, with no intervening action or debate, and any statements relating to this matter be printed in the RECORD.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The bill (H.R. 3656) was read the third time and passed.

THE CALENDAR

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Judiciary Committee be discharged from further consideration and the Senate proceed to consideration of the following bills en bloc: S. 963, S. 1366, S. 453, S. 1950, S. 1468, S. 209, and H.R. 2245; further, I ask unanimous consent that the bills be